

Leading Injury Etiologies by Age

Hospitalizations Due to Injury

New York State, 1990 - 1992

Age Under One Year (n = 4,882)

Etiology	%
Falls	36.2
Scald / Hot Object	15.0
Assault	8.8
Poisoning	6.6
Respiratory Interference	5.7
Motor Vehicle Crash	2.9
Struck by Obj / Person	2.6

Ages 1-4 (n = 17,840)

Etiology	%
Falls	27.6
Poisoning	22.7
Scald / Hot Object	12.4
Struck by Obj / Person	4.9
Pedestrian	3.3
Cutting Instrument	2.9
Motor Vehicle Crash	2.6

Ages 5-9 (n = 14,130)

Etiology	%
Falls	36.1
Pedestrian	12.5
Bicyclist	8.7
Struck by Obj / Person	7.5
Motor Vehicle Crash	4.9
Cutting Instrument	4.7
Poisoning	3.6

Ages 10-14 (n = 18,713)

Etiology	%
Falls	27.9
Bicyclist	10.2
Struck by Obj / Person	9.6
Self-Inflicted	8.2
Pedestrian	7.8
Assault	7.2
Motor Vehicle Crash	5.2

Ages 15-24 (n = 73,622)

Etiology	%
Assault	23.3
Motor Vehicle Crash	18.9
Self-Inflicted	12.7
Falls	12.1
Struck by Obj / Person	5.5
Cutting Instrument	3.5
Pedestrian	2.7

Ages 25-44 (n = 129,092)

Etiology	%
Assault	20.9
Falls	19.0
Motor Vehicle Crash	14.6
Self-Inflicted	9.0
Struck by Obj / Person	4.1
Cutting Instrument	3.9
Overexertion	3.1

Ages 45-64 (n = 69,632)

Etiology	%
Falls	40.7
Motor Vehicle Crash	12.6
Assault	7.0
Self-Inflicted	4.2
Pedestrian	3.4
Overexertion	3.4
Poisoning	2.8

Ages 65 and Over (n = 144,654)

Etiology	%
Falls	75.4
Motor Vehicle Crash	4.6
Pedestrian	1.8
Poisoning	1.5
Overexertion	1.2
Self-Inflicted	1.0
Struck by Obj / Person	1.0